

SPECIAL TOWN BOARD WORKSHOP MEETING
May 8, 2007 - 6:30 PM
TOWN HALL

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Reagon at 6:30 p.m. Salute to the Flag was conducted.

Emergency Exits were pointed out by the Supervisor.

Roll Call:

Councilwoman Perotti	Present
Councilman Euvrard	Present
Councilwoman Doyle	Present
Councilman Russell	Present
Supervisor Reagon	Present

CPIC members present: Mark Doyle, George Fenn, Darlene Reimer, Tony Robustelli.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

Supervisor Reagon explained that the purpose of this special workshop meeting was to go through the changes that Joel Russell had made to the Updated Proposed Comprehensive Plan as a result of public comment and Town Board discussion. Joel Russell then walked the Town Board through all the recent changes he had made to the Comprehensive Plan, focusing on pages 7 through 25 of the Plan.

ZONING LAW

Joel Russell reviewed with the Town Board all changes that had been made to the Proposed new Zoning Law, at the Town's direction. These changes were discussed in detail with input from the audience and from CPIC members present.

MAPS

At the request of Mark Doyle, several clarifications were made to the zoning maps. One of these changes was to the property most recently purchased by the Katz brothers on the east side of Route 22. The new maps should reflect this property in the same status it held before the Katz purchase, that is, residential. The west side of Route 22 north of the hamlet of Amenia will remain residential pending the findings of the hamlet designer who will soon be hired.

Other map areas discussed included: Sartori property north of hamlet of Amenia, LaCurto Electric property on Old Route 22 at the base of Powderhouse Road.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

Supervisor Reagon read Resolution #16 of 2007 to send the revised proposed Comprehensive Plan amendment and the proposed new zoning code to the County Department of Planning and to the Town of Amenia Planning Board for review. The proposed new zoning code will also be sent to the neighboring towns of Dover, Washington, Stanford, and Northeast. The Public Hearing will be held on Thursday May 24 at 7:00 p.m. at Amenia Elementary School. Councilman Euvrard requested, and the Town Board approved, the inclusion of the following verbatim quote in these minutes: "Councilman Euvrard believes it is illegal to vote on any item or resolution at a workshop meeting". Supervisor Reagon replied that

the Attorney to the Town Michael Hayes had assured her that it was OK to vote at this meeting.

RESOLUTION #16 OF 2007: SEND LATEST VERSIONS OF COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND ZONING LAW TO COUNTY PLANNING AND TOWN PLANNING BOARD; ADVERTISE PUBLIC HEARING

MOTION: S/Reagon
SECOND: C/Doyle
ROLL CALL: C/Perotti - AYE C/Doyle - AYE
C/Euvrard - [abstain] C/Russell - AYE
S/Reagon - AYE
MOTION CARRIED 4 TO 0 WITH 1 ABSTENTION.

HAMLET DESIGNER, RFQ

Supervisor Reagon will circulate the five responses to our RFQ (Request For Qualifications) for a hamlet planner. Interview dates will be set up even if the Board has not yet decided who will be interviewed.

ADJOURN

The motion to adjourn was unanimous at 9:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Hermosilla,
Amenia Town Clerk

Approved by Town Board: 5/17/07
Draft to Town Board: 5/13/07 (email), paper to Wayne

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